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SUBJECT: CONVERSATION WITH HONDURAN AMBASSADOR GALVEZ

1. DURING CONVERSATION ON THE AFTERNOON OF NOVEMBER 28
BETWEEN AMBASSADOR GALVEZ AND CEN DIRECTOR LAZAR, WHICH
TOOK PLACE AT LATTER'S REQUEST, GALVEZ STATED THE FOLLOW-
ING:

A) NEGOTIATIONS HAD NOT BEEN BROKEN OFF. BATRES IS
EXPECTED TO RETURN TO MEXICO CITY NOVEMBER 28 OR 29 TO
CONTINUE THE NEGOTIATIONS.

B) GALVEZ WAS PLEASED TO NOTE THAT FOREIGN MINISTER
BORGONOVO WAS IN MEXICO TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS.
HE INDICATED THAT BORGONOVO'S NONPARTICIPATION AND, INDEED,
ABSENCE FROM EL SALVADOR DURING MUCH OF THIS PERIOD HAD
PUZZLED AND TROUBLED THE GOH.

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C) HE BELIEVES THE ACTION OF THE GOH IN RENOUNCING THE

PACT OF BOGOTA WAS DELIBERATE AND PRE-PLANNED AND PROBABLY
WAS ALWAYS PART OF THEIR SCENARIO FOR THESE TALKS.

COMMENT: GALVEZ HAD TALKED TO BATRES BY TELEPHONE ON
FRIDAY NIGHT, THE 23RD AND AGAIN ON MONDAY, THE 26TH. THUS,
THIS VIEW PROBABLY REPRESENTS MORE THAN GALVEZ' OWN PERSONAL
POINT OF VIEW.

D) NOTWITHSTANDING THE GOES REJECTION OF ARBITRATION,
THE HONDURAN DELEGATION IS WILLING TO EXPLORE, AT LEAST,
OTHER "PEACEFUL MEANS OF SETTLEMENT" OF THIS DISPUTE
ALTHOUGH WITHOUT MUCH HOPE OF SUCCESS. THE ESSENTIAL
HONDURAN CONDITION, GALVEZ SAID, IS SOME AGREED DEVICE TO
PUT A FIXED TIME LIMIT ON BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS AND AN
AGREED NEXT STEP WHICH SHOULD LEAD TO A DEFINITIVE SOLU-
TION IF BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS FAIL. THE REAL ISSUE HERE,
OF COURSE, IS THE BOUNDARY QUESTION.

E) GALVEZ EXPRESSED LACK OF OPTIMISM ON THE LIKELIHOOD
OF SUCCESSFUL OUTCOME OF THE TALKS. HE STATED THAT UNDER
THE NEGOTIATED TERMS OF REFERENCE NO AGREEMENTS REACHED
DURING THE NEGOTIATIONS WILL BE BINDING ON EITHER PARTY IF
FULL AGREEMENT IS NOT REACHED BY DECEMBER 15 (WE ARE
ATTEMPTING TO CHECK THIS). WHEN QUERIED AS TO LIKELY NEXT
STEPS IN THE EVENT MEXICO NEGOTIATIONS FAIL, HE PROFESSED
NOT TO KNOW OF ANY FURTHER PLANS.

F) GALVEZ WAS UNAWARE THAT CONTACT BETWEEN TROOP COM-
MANDERS ON THE FRONTIER HAD BEEN DISCONTINUED BUT AGREED
WITH THE SUGGESTION THAT, WERE THAT THE CASE, SUCH CON-
TACTS SHOULD BE REINITIATED. HE ALSO REFERRED TO THE USE-
FULNESS OF CONTACTS BETWEEN MOLINA AND LOPEZ.

2. AS YOU ARE ABLE, PLEASE ATTEMPT TO DEVELOP INFORMATION
REGARDING ANY PLANS BY EITHER GOVERNMENT FOR FURTHER STEPS
IF THE MEXICO NEGOTIATIONS FAIL. KISSINGER

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